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SUBJ: U.S.-JAPAN COMMITTEE ON SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION:
JOINT MEETING, TOKYO, JULY 15-17

REF: TOKYO 8972

1. SUMMARY OF FLIGHT INFO AND ETAS TOKYO FOR U.S.
ATTENDEES USJCSC MEETING: ON JULY 13 BENNETT(AND WIFE)
NORTHWEST 7, 1535 HOURS; ASTIN, O'CONNELL, AND RICHMOND
PA831, 1605 HOURS; AND HIATT NORTHWEST 3, 1630 HOURS.
DR. JONES ETA JULY 10, 1605, PANAM 831; AND DR. CHANG
ETA SUNDAY, JULY 13, NORTHWEST 7, 1535.

2. CONCERNING AGENDA ITEM ON OVERALL REVIEW AND EMBASSY
COMMENT PARA 2 REFTEL, CONCUR THAT DISCUSSION SHOULD BE
LOW-KEY AND INFORMATIONAL, AND SHOULD NOT BE SPECULATIVE
OR PREEMPTIVE AT THIS POINT. DR. BENNETT AWARE THIS
STANCE AND TOGETHER WITH DR. HIATT WE BELIEVE CAN COVER
APPROPRIATELY. SUGGEST EMBASSY REVIEW THIS WITH U.S.
DELEGATION ON JULY 14 AND ADD WHAT GUIDANCE IT FEELS
USEFUL FROM STANDPOINT OF LOCAL SCENE.

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3. PER PARA 4 REFTTEL, SUGGEST AMBASSADOR'S REMARKS COULD STRESS FOLLOWING POINTS:

A. WE CONTINUE TO BELIEVE IMPORTANCE AND UNIQUENESS OF THIS PROGRAM LIES IN ITS EMPHASIS ON BASIC RESEARCH.

B. SUCH BASIC RESEARCH IN THE NATURAL AND ENGINEERING SCIENCES IS NECESSARY UNDERPINNING FOR APPLICATION OF TECHNOLOGY. AS SUCH THIS PROGRAM IS COMPLEMENTARY TO OUR OTHER COOPERATIVE PROGRAMS WITH JAPAN.

C. MATURITY OF PROGRAM (14 YEARS) HAS NOT DIMINISHED OUR DESIRE THAT IT CONTINUE TO RECEIVE FULLEST POSSIBLE SUPPORT FROM BOTH SIDES.

4. SPECIAL NAMES REQUESTED PARA 5 REFTTEL SENT STATE 157038.

5. PER PARA 6 REFTTEL, NO PAPERS ARE NECESSARY FOR ADVANCE PRINTING AND DISTRIBUTION.

6. SUMMARIZING DELEGATION COMPOSITION: COMMITTEE MEMBERS-- BENNETT, ASTIN, CHANG, HIATT, JONES, AND RICHMOND PLUS EMBASSY DESIGNATEES. STAFF/OBSERVOR-O'CONNELL. INGERSOLL

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